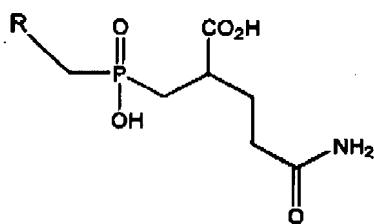


**Amendments to the Claims:**

The present listing of the claims replaces all past listings of the claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A compound according to the following formula (I)



wherein R is a substituted alkyl, benzyl or allyl residue selected from the group consisting of nonyl; 333-trifluoro-propyl; 2-methyl-4-phenyl-butyl; 4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl; pentafluorophenyl; 4-fluoro-phenyl; naphthalene-2-yl; biphenyl-2-yl; 5,5,7,8,8-pentamethyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-naphthalene-2-yl; 5,5,8,8-tetramethyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-naphthalen-2-yl; 1,1,3,3-tetramethyl-indan-5-yl; styryl; 2,6-dimethyl-heptyl; 2-(4-tert-Butyl-phenyl)-1-methyl-vinyl; 2-(4-Isopropyl-phenyl)-1-methyl-vinyl; 1-(1,7,7-Trimethyl-bicyclo[2.2.1]hept-2-yl)-ethyl; 2-(4-Isobutyl-phenyl)-1-methyl-vinyl; 2-(2-isopropyl-phenyl)-1-methyl-ethenyl; 2-phenyl-ethyl; cyclohexyl-methyl; 2,2-dimethyl-propyl; 2-(pentafluorophenyl)-ethyl; 3-phenyl-propyl; heptyl; 4-isopropyl-cyclohex-1-enyl; decyl; hexyl; trans-4-isopropyl-cyclohexyl; 5-ethyl-2-methyl-heptyl; 2,6,10-trimethyl-undecyl; 1-methyl-3-(2,2,3-trimethyl-cyclopentyl)-propyl; and octyl.

2. (Original) A composition comprising a body odour-suppressing quantity of a compound claimed in claim 1.

3. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 2 wherein the compound is present in amounts of about 0.01 to 0.5 % by weight.

4. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 2 selected from cosmetic and personal care products, in particular deo-sticks, roll-ons, pump-sprays,

aerosols, deodorant soaps, powders, solutions, gels, creams, sticks, balms and lotions.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Original) A method of suppressing axillary malodour comprising the step of providing a composition for application to the skin of a person in need of treatment, said composition containing an inhibitor compound and a dermatologically acceptable vehicle therefore, said compound being selected from one or more compounds as defined by claim 1.

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Previously Presented) A method comprising exposing an enzyme produced in bacteria of the genus *Corynebacteria* to a compound as defined in claim 1 to thereby inhibit the enzyme in its ability to cleave compounds contained in sweat into short-chained, branched fatty acids.

11. (Previously Presented) A method comprising exposing an enzyme defined by an amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID No. 1 to a compound as defined in claim 1 to thereby inhibit the enzyme in its ability to cleave compounds contained in sweat into short-chained, branched fatty acids.

12. (Previously Presented) A method comprising exposing an enzyme produced in bacteria of the genus *Corynebacteria* to a compound as defined in claim 2 to thereby inhibit the enzyme in its ability to cleave compounds contained in sweat into short-chained, branched fatty acids.

13. (Previously Presented) A method comprising exposing an enzyme defined by an amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID No. 1 to a compound as defined in claim 2 to thereby inhibit the enzyme in its ability to cleave compounds contained in sweat into short-chained, branched fatty acids.